late to decline in the prices at the tobacco auctions. The STC has been requested to step into the market and buy grades of tobacco as a part of their commercial operations.

(c) and (d) Farmers have been given representation on the Tobacco Board and its Regional Committees and their views are always taken.

Role of State Bank of Indore in the sale and distribution of Lottery tickets

1047. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item which appeared in 'Jansatta', a Hindi Daily published from New Delhi on the 5th March, 1989 about the sale and distribution of lottery tickets worth of Rs. 24 crores in Indore;

(b) whether Government have ascertained the role of State Bank of Indore in the sale of those lottery tickets; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Government have seen the news item referred to in the Question.

(b) and (c) According to State Bank of Indore, a circular was issued from the Head Office to its 162 branches and 2 Zonal Office in May, 1985 to sell lottery tickets on behalf of Indore Table Tennis Trust to help them in raising funds for construction of Table Tennis Stadium at Indore. The total value of lottery tickets sold by Bank's various branches was Rs. 4,19,680/-.

Involvement of Manipur Legislators in drug Trafficking

1048. SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN:

SHRI NARAYAN KAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two Manipur legislators were found to be involved in the trafficking of drugs and narcotics from Burma to India; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE: (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Show cause notice issued on M/s. I.T.C. Limited for Excise Duty Evasion

1049. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1682 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th November, 1988 regarding adjudication proceedings against M|s. I.T.C. Limited in respect of excise duty evasion and state:

(a) what progress has so far been made for the realisation of Rs. 803 crores outstanding against M|s. I.T.C. Limited towards Central excise duty; and

(b) by when a final settlement is likely to be arived at?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) The Show Cause No-

tice involving Rs. 803 crores is pending for adjudication before the Director-General of Inspection (Custom & Central Excise), New Delhi to whom the same has been recently transferred. Adjudicating authority is taking all possible steps to adjudicate the case expeditiously. The question of realisation of any amount would arise only after confirmation of the demand by adjudicating authority.

Infiltrator from Bangladesh in Assam

1050. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated number of infiltrators in Assam from Bangladesh at present;

(b) what provision was made in the Assam Accord to identify the infiltrators and get them vacated from Assam; and

(c) the progress made as yet to deport the infiltrators from Assam and what are the annual figures in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) The number of illegal migrants in Assam will only be known after their detection by Tribunals set up under the Illegal Migrants (Determination by Tribunals), Act 1983. According to the provisions of the Assam Accord, all foreigners who came to Assam on or after 25-3-71 are to be detected and expelled in accordance with the Illegal Migrants (Determination by Tribunals) Act, 1983 as amended in 1988 in pursuance to clause 5.9 of the Accord.

(c) According to the information furnished from the Government of Assam upto February, 1989, 14106 cases have been referred to the Illegal Migrants (Determination) Tribunals and 2419 cases have been disposed of by them. During the last three years, the Tribunals disposed of 99 cases in 1986, 105 cases in 1987 and 1676 cases in 1988. Upto 31-1-1989, 1779, persons have been found to be illegal migrants by the Tribunals and 299 persons from among them have since been expelled.

Arms dealers outside Delhi

1051. SHRI M. A. BABY:

SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many firms of arms dealers are operating outside Delhi;

(b) how many retired defence personnel are employed in those firms; and

(c) what is the ratio of contracts received by these firms?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Such information is not compiled by the Central Govt. as dealership licences for arms are issued by the State Governments|Union Territory Administrations to whom necessary powers in this behalf are delegated under the Arms Act, 1959 and the Arms Rules, 1962. The operation of such licences are also monitored by State|Union Territory authorities. Further it is not mandatory for the arms dealers to furnish information about their employees to the licensing authority.

Retired defence employees linked with arms dealers in Capital

1052. SHRI P. K. KUNJACHEN:

SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many retired defence employees are in employment with numerous arms dealers in the Capital;